



## **KULI'OU'OU/KALANI IKI NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 2**

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### **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 1, 2007 AINA HAINA PUBLIC LIBRARY**

**CALL TO ORDER** - Chair Bob Chuck called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. with a quorum present. He welcomed everyone to the February meeting of the Kuli'ou'ou-Kalani Iki Neighborhood Board No. 2. As the Board took a recess in January, Chair Chuck wished everyone a "Happy New Year!" and "Happy Chinese New Year of the Boar!" (Kung Hee Fat Choy!) Neighborhood Assistant Ho explained that Mayor Mufi Hannemann had declared February 2007 as "Month in Chinatown" and Ho distributed a 32-page color brochure, a Year of the Boar button/ribbon and a list of restaurants offering a 10 percent discount for February. One restaurant was the Duck Yun across the parking lot from this meeting room.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Bob Chuck, Al Andrews, Ted Ashworth, Bernie Boltz, Jeannine Johnson, Bertha Leong, Heather Lum, Kevin Quinn, P. Anne Rautio, Ed Schell, Jack Schneider, Sheridan Spangler, Linda Starr (7:22 p.m.) and Joseph Young.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Michael Parke, Jamal Siddiqui (excused) and Kimo Sutton.

**VACANCIES:** None.

**GUESTS:** Cindy Inouye (Deputy Director of the Department of Human Resources Development, Governor Linda Lingle's representative); Senator Sam Slom, Joan Shinn (Representative Barbara Marumoto's Office staff), Representative Lyla Berg, Gordon Bruce (Director, Information Technology Department, Mayor Mufi Hannemann's representative); Francisco Figueiredo (Councilmember Charles Djou's Office); Sgt. Lloyd Dabaluz (Honolulu Police Department, District 7); Acting Captain Regi Gawiran (Honolulu Fire Department), Ken Kawahara (Department of Environmental Services), Eldon Franklin (Department of Design and Construction), Greg Smith (CH2MHILL), Kris Young (Community Building & Communications, Inc.); Cindy Schultz, Etsuko Fukami, (Student, Hawaii Pacific University); Caryl Campbell, Cindy Iwata, George Casen, Dr. Virgil Jobe, Carol Philips (member of the North Shore Neighborhood Board No. 27), and K. Russell Ho (Neighborhood Commission Office staff).

### **CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Letter from Eng regarding East Honolulu Sustainable Communities Plan (EHSCP)** - Chair Chuck mentioned that Board members Linda Starr and Sheridan Spangler had worked on the EHSCP and that Director Henry Eng of the Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP) had sent a letter to announce that it would go out for public review in spring 2007. They would send a representative to the Board then. Chair Chuck had e-mailed the letter to Board members.

**Letter from Eng regarding "cluster housing" application** - Chair Chuck received a letter from Director Eng concerning the Wailupe Mauka Cluster Housing permit application. There was much community concern expressed at several Neighborhood Board meetings, community meetings at Aina Haina Elementary School and at the public hearing. The DPP rejected the application on October 25, 2006. Developer Kent Untermann may be changing

his plans and may re-submit them. The Board will watch for that. Chair Chuck had e-mailed the letter to Board members.

**Update on Niu Valley Wastewater Pump Station Force Main Construction Project** - Chair Chuck introduced Kris Young, Greg Smith, Eldon Franklin and Ken Kawahara. Smith mentioned that they would do night work, but will try to minimize the noise. The pipe-pulling phase may take 72 hours with 20 hours non-stop. There would be no interruption of traffic during this phase. There would be a little disruption in the next phase. Franklin thanked everyone for his/her patience. The alternative would have been open trenching.

Comments followed.

Johnson thanked KFC at the Niu Valley Shopping Center for allowing the City to use their property. When she visited KFC, it was empty and she felt bad. She wanted KFC to know that the Niu Valley community appreciates its sacrifice.

Andrews requested a lot of public notice on the traffic disruptions.

Chair Chuck suggested that they work with Suzanne Roig of the *Honolulu Advertiser* to get out correct information.

Kawahara from Environmental Services Department (ENV) thanked everyone for their continued patience and mentioned that they just established a Communications office. They have a hotline number and a website. He has worked with Suzanne Roig since January. Kris Young distributed a handout. It read-

**NIU VALLEY FORCE MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT  
A PROJECT OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU**

STATUS UPDATE: FEBRUARY 2007

Aloha Neighbor:

The City and County of Honolulu is making steady progress on the Niu Valley Wastewater Pump Station Force Main Replacement Project. As part of our commitment to minimizing the project's impact on the community, we are using a less obtrusive horizontal directional drilling (HDD) method. Unlike conventional open-trenching—with blocked traffic lanes, open trenches, and so forth—HDD involves drilling, boring, and then pulling the new pipe through a tunnel under the road. For this project 3,300 linear feet of new high-density polyethylene sanitary sewer force main pipe will be pulled from Kawaikui Park under Kalaniana'ole Highway to the Niu Valley Pump Station (next to the Niu Valley Shopping Center).

The contractor has completed the pilot hole-drilling. We are now moving on to the tunnel boring phase. Depending on rock and soil conditions, we expect the pipe-pulling phase to take place about February 13 to 15, 2007. This phase is expected to take less than 72 hours. This pipe-pulling work must be uninterrupted because of the nature of the process.

If the procedure is stopped prior to pulling the entire 3,300 feet of pipe, the lubricating material in the tunnel is likely to harden and make resuming the pull extremely difficult, if not impossible.

Due to the necessity of this continuous (24 hours) operation, a state Department of Health noise waiver has been obtained. In addition, low -noise work procedures have been established, will be monitored and enforced by a job-site inspector. To help minimize noise at night, movement of heavy vehicles and use of heavy equipment will be limited to daylight hours whenever possible. As noted above, this phase is expected to take less than three days.

The City and County of Honolulu extends its sincere mahalo for your support and understanding. This project is vital to the health, safety and well-being of the community, local businesses and environment. This will go a long way to preventing a recurrence of the February 2005 ruptures in the force main. Once work on the new main is done, we can remove the temporary pipe that's on the highway median.

For more information, please visit the project website at [www.NiuValleywastewater.org](http://www.NiuValleywastewater.org) or call the hotline number/Job-site inspector (Duane Huber) at 216-8874.

Mahalo!

Chair Chuck thanked the City and everyone for not taking the easy way out of open trenching, but using directional boring to minimize traffic disruption.

**Other - Letter from the Niu Valley Principal responding to the Board's letter concerning litter and trash-** After the last meeting, Chair Chuck wrote to Principal Justin Mew that now that a new 7-Eleven store has recently opened in the Nui Valley Shopping Center, it has been observed more trash and litter in Niu Valley. Principal Mew responded with the actions he will take to educate the students and provided a chart, entitled "School-Wide Behavior Expectations," which was designed to make his students better citizens. Chair Chuck appreciated the Board's input and Principal Mew's response. Chair Chuck had e-mailed the letter to Board members.

**HONOLULU FIRE DEPARTMENT (HFD) REPORT** - Acting Captain Regi Gawiran reported the following:

1. For January 2007 there were 37 medical responses, 1 search and rescue and 13 miscellaneous alarms, which include activated alarms, car accidents and downed power lines. There were no major or unusual incidents.
2. Fire Safety Tip: Every home should have a WORKING smoke detector installed near each sleeping area and on every level. Since cooking vapors and steam can set off a smoke detector, the detector should be located away from the kitchen or bathroom. Wall-mounted detectors should be positioned 4 to 12 inches below the ceiling and away from air vents. Batteries should be changed at least once a year.

Questions, answers and comments followed.

Spangler asked about an explosion and fire of a Hawaiian Electric Co. (HECO) transformer about four or five days ago. Acting Captain Gawiran had no knowledge of it. She requested that someone come to the next meeting. Chair Chuck requested a contact name and number, but no one knew anyone.

(7:22 p.m.) Starr arrived at meeting.

There were no citizens' concerns regarding the Honolulu Fire Department.

Chair Chuck thanked Acting Captain Gawiran.

**HONOLULU POLICE DEPARTMENT (HPD) REPORT** - Sgt. Lloyd Dabaluz distributed his monthly report with a map of the beats in the district and information on the Narcotics/Vice Division and highlighted the following:

1. Thefts have decreased, but Unauthorized Entries into a Motor Vehicle (UEMV) have increased.
2. In his printed report there were some tips on recognizing illegal drug activity.

Questions, answers and comments followed.

1. Rautio reported an elderly woman driving without a license. Sgt. Lloyd Dabaluz suggested that she call 9-1-1 and give details.
2. Ashworth was at Hind Iuka Drive and West Hind Drive and the officer, watching the repaving work, was not helpful in telling him which way to go. He was not courteous. He asked if officers get training. Sgt. Dabaluz responded that they are trained in traffic control, but the driver chooses which way to go. They are also instructed in operational procedures.
3. Johnson requested the statistics for drugs/narcotics cases, as they have not been reported for the last five or six months. Sgt. Dabaluz would take her request back. Her next-door neighbor was robbed. The thief took the spare car key and two days later came back and stole the car. Johnson and Sgt. Dabaluz suggested being careful with the spare car keys. Johnson mentioned that HPD caught the thief. Eric Seitz was the neighbor and will testify against the thief.
4. Starr had questions about the new pedestrian law. Pedestrians are crossing diagonally across intersections. Sgt. Dabaluz wants to educate both the pedestrians and the drivers and suggested that drivers be patient.
5. A resident wanted to report an abandoned vehicle. Sgt. Dabaluz suggested that she call 9-1-1 and give details.

6. Chair Chuck mentioned copper thefts on Makalena Street in Aina Haina. Through the efforts of Legislative Sub-Committee Chair Johnson, Chair Chuck was informed that there are bills going through the Legislature, like one requiring scrap dealers, when buying copper from an individual, to require that the individual present identification and be fingerprinted. Another bill would establish the offense of theft of copper, would establish special requirements for the purchase of copper and would hold the scrap dealers accountable for violations. Senator Sam Slom added that there is lots of support for these bills. Sgt. Dabaluz mentioned that cases of \$100 or more goes to the Chief of Police Boisse Correa. Vice Chair Schell mentioned that his neighbor was robbed of copper. Spangler added that thieves stole copper gutters from her neighbors in the Waialae Golf Course area. Schneider asked if a person could electrify the copper. Sgt. Dabaluz mentioned that may be attempted manslaughter.
  
7. Sgt. Dabaluz mentioned that HPD would move one of the speed-monitoring trailers to Poola Street on Monday.

Chair Chuck thanked Sgt. Dabaluz.

**Hawaii Pacific University (HPU) student** - Chair Chuck recognized Etsuko Fukami. One of her course requirements is to attend and observe a Neighborhood Board meeting.

#### **ELECTED OFFICIALS:**

**Senator Sam Slom** - (7:36 p.m.) Senator Slom wished everyone a "Happy New Year!" and a "Happy Chinese New Year!", distributed his newsletter and highlighted the following.

1. On page 3 there were listed all of the bills he introduced and the Senate Minority Package Bills. SB 108 repeals the one-half percent county surcharge on the state tax established to fund public transportation systems. SB 124 would provide an income tax credit for private school tuition. SB 185 would change the State constitution to have initiative, referendum and recall. SB 195 is the "Linda Starr Bill" which would define "totally disabled." SB 1785 is his scrap metal recycling/theft prevention bill. SB 1786 would exempt the Neighborhood Boards from the "Sunshine Law."

There are a lot of new people in the House. The Senate has new leadership and the first woman Senate President Colleen Hanabusa. Although the session is one-sixth the way through, still "hold on to your wallets." In the Senate there are 1195 bills. Many would increase fees and costs. The Legislature always adopts its budget first. They raise salaries and office expenses in secret. The Senate passed the bill, 23-2 with Senator Slom and Senator Fred Hemmings voting against it. The House passed it 47-3 with one absent. It cost \$39 million for the Legislature, the Ombudsman, the Auditor and the Legislative Reference Bureau. Although all legislators' salaries, set by the Salary Commission, went up on January 1 and the office allowances have increased to \$7500, he has never used his office allowance for his last ten years. Also, he does not use the private elevator or the Waialae Country Club membership or the free parking. He pays for them like his constituents do.

There is a House bill which would provide for Ethics Training. Another class he has attended was about sexual harassment. The Senate now has a "conflict of interest" clause.

2. Today, the House and Senate honored Admiral William Fallon, the new Commander-in-Chief for the Mideast. Of all the jobs in the world, Senator Slom would want his job the least. It is a "no win" situation.
3. The "Sudafed Bill" had some proposed new requirements. Senator Slom had voted against the original bill and found himself on the same side as the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU), Shannon Woods and others. The bill was deferred.
4. Senator Slom is on three committees- Commerce, Consumer Protection and Affordable Housing (CPH); Economic Development and Taxation (EDT) and Water, Land, Agriculture and Hawaiian Affairs (WAH). Contact his and other area legislators' offices to find out about the hearings.
5. He announced that he has only 35 tickets left for the Kaiser High School Project Graduation Outback steak plate for \$10.00 for a week from next Sunday.

Comments followed.

1. Starr mentioned the blue halogen headlights. Senator Slom responded that the technology is changing and the laws may require more regulation, like for tinting. A resident asked if the headlights had to point down. Senator Slom responded that when you get your annual safety check, they look for alignment of the headlights.
2. Senator Slom thanked the City for the force main repair project. Again, the technology of underground drilling would shorten the inconvenience to the community and KFC.
3. Concerning building a new Aloha Stadium in West Oahu, it originally cost \$30 million to build. It went through \$75 million renovation so far and could use \$150 million more. Because of the revenue generated they cannot tear it down and build a new one. Senator Slom attended an event, where the stadium's stands were moved for the last time and would be in the football configuration permanently.

Chair Chuck thanked Senator Slom.

**Representative Barbara Marumoto** - Joan Shinn distributed Representative Marumoto's newsletter and highlighted the following:

On page 1 there was a list of Representative Marumoto's bills and a list of her Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) bills. Johnson mentioned that she looked at 4,000 bills.

Chair Chuck thanked Shinn.

**Representative Lyla Berg** - No representative present.

**Councilmember Charles Djou-** (7:51 p.m.) Francisco Figueiredo wished everyone a "Happy New Year" and reported the following:

1. Concerning the two resolutions for the Land Use Commission (LUC) meeting on February 7 at 1:30 p.m., these two resolutions would change the Conditional Use Permit (CUP)- minor to CUP- major for Preservation (P-2) zoning and require a public hearing.
2. Concerning complaints about the signs posted on the Waialae Iki Park fence, phone-733-7357. Vice Chair Schell reported that sometimes he sees a sign put up and the next morning the sign is gone. Figueiredo responded that the park crew responds to complaints and takes down illegal signs. Chair Chuck remarked that recently, it seems to be getting better.
3. A Board member asked about which government regulates vacation rentals. The City and County of Honolulu was the answer.
4. Johnson went to a parks meeting and was told that they can't use the \$100,000 appropriated through the efforts of Representative Lyla Berg. Johnson asked Figueiredo to follow up with Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) for the playground equipment. She is frustrated that the children are getting older.
5. Starr again mentioned for the City to change cut curbs to 90 degree angle to the curb, as she has to go into traffic to use the ramps with her wheelchair. Mayor's representative Bruce suggested that she go to the City Council to change the laws about cut curbs.
6. Leong mentioned HB 1088, a bill by House Speaker Calvin Say to benefit Aina Haina residents. It would authorize the director of finance to issue general obligation bonds in the sum of \$5,000,000 and appropriated it for fiscal year 2007-2008, for drainage improvements for Wailupe Stream. This would help residents, who pay increasing amounts for flood insurance.

**Leong moved and Schell seconded that this item be placed on the agenda. The motion carried by unanimous consent, 14-0-0.**

**HB 1088 - Leong moved and Schell seconded that the Kuli'ou'ou-Kalani Iki Neighborhood Board No. 2 supports HB 1088 and SB 1616 (Concurrent bill).** Discussion followed. Time is short at the first crossover is March 1. **The motion carried, 13-1-0.** Nayschneider. He wanted to see the bills first. Chair Chuck announced that Johnson can now testify in favor of these bills. Figueiredo is to follow up on the City level.

Chair Chuck thanked Figueiredo.

**MAYOR MUFU HANNEMANN'S REPRESENTATIVE-** (8:06 p.m.) Gordon Bruce, Director, Information Technology Department distributed the Mayor's newsletter and reported the following:

1. Concerning the cut curbs, besides having the City Council change the laws, he added that the City must also comply with Americans with Disability Act (ADA) requirements.
2. As of January 11, 2007, when mobile phone callers call 9-1-1, they can be located by global positioning satellites (GPS) with the E9-1-1. So far two mobile phone carriers have signed up and he hopes to have complete tracking by the end of the quarter. If a person is kidnapped, dial 9-1-1 and leave the line open. This tracking was able to be implemented and no City money was used, as cell phone customers pay a small fee each month to a State fund. To clarify a recent news item, the City waited three months to spend \$1million to reconstruct the police station tower. He is watchful for SB 1884, which would eliminate special funds. The City is reconstructing eight of the fourteen tele-communication towers around the island to withstand a Level 4 Hurricane standard. Right now, none of the towers could withstand a Level 1 Hurricane. The tower at Koko Head is a joint State/City project. None of the 24 facilities have been maintained for over 20 years. \$35 million has been allotted to this project. He is also a HPU alumnus.
3. Another heads-up is the Federal ID Act, which mandates that each state issue a standard ID. It is estimated that it would cost Hawaii \$40 million, but the State wants to pass it on to the City and County of Honolulu unfunded. Then, it would come out of our property taxes. The governor of Maine is the first governor to refuse his state to comply.

As the City and County of Honolulu is the only county to issue a statewide driver's license and the traffic fines go to the State, we should watch this item.

4. At the October meeting, the Board mentioned the curbs and ramps. We covered this earlier. DDC and DFM are investigating the request.
5. The light on Kuli'ou'ou Road and Summer Street, next to the church, was fixed. Vice Chair Schell mentioned that the street light was fixed, but the traffic light is still out. Bruce would take it back.
6. The Department of Transportation Services (DTS) has been monitoring the intersection at Kalaniana'ole Highway and Ainakoa. The signal lights are operating as programmed. To change it, there is needed a co-ordinated effort between the City and State.

This is also needed for the removal of the traffic signal at the KFC at the Niu Valley Shopping Center. Chair Chuck mentioned that he already wrote a letter of this item.

Comments followed.

1. Leong again mentioned that the rolling curbs are too high on West Hind Drive and they are ruining the underside of her car from scraping the curb. (See October and December meeting minutes.) Bruce would follow up.

2. Starr mentioned that on Opihi Street there is a two-inch drop from the curb. They are waiting for resurfacing with asphalt. Bruce would follow up.
3. Johnson mentioned that last time Bruce said that the potholes Niu Valley would be surveyed and fixed the week of December 11. So far, only one pothole has been fixed. Bruce would follow up again.
4. Young mentioned the ramp at the corner of Nenu Street and West Hind Drive. Bruce would follow up.
5. Ashworth wanted to remind Board members about the KFC traffic light at the Niu Valley Shopping Center. Chair Chuck mentioned that he wrote a letter requesting that it be removed.
6. Spangler mentioned that at the last Honolulu Marathon, the people in her community were not able to get out until 12:15 p.m. The police were more concerned with runners attaining their "personal best." Each year this discussion comes up and the police "on the ground" have to be more flexible. Vice Chair Schell agreed with Spangler for the Kuli'ou'ou area. Bruce would follow up.
7. Schneider mentioned that the Laukahi Street potholes were filled, but they stopped at Kumakani Loop. Bruce mentioned the pothole hotline. There is a paper trail and they have to report back.
8. Boltz asked about the E9-1-1 system funding. Bruce mentioned that 66 cents a month from cell phone users goes to a fund to build towers for remote hiking area coverage. The next stage is three-dimensional tracking that would also give altitude. They also want the technology to track every first responder. By next year, they want to reduce the dollar amount.
9. Starr asked if the Emergency Management Service would be moved to Kapolei. Bruce responded that they want to move a joint City/State center there.
10. Johnson reported that she received a complaint that City trucks and backhoes are working at 7:00 a.m. on Saturdays/Sundays on City property on Haleki Street. She claimed that they had no permits. Bruce mentioned that the City is trying to clean up streams islandwide, to prevent flooding like last year. Johnson added that 7:00 a.m. is too early.
11. Schneider mentioned clearing Palolo Stream behind his office's building. Bruce suggested calling the Department of Customer Services or Department of Facility Maintenance to determine jurisdiction. It may be State or private property. DFM Director is Laverne Higa and she is an engineer.

Chair Chuck thanked Mayor's representative Bruce.

**GOVERNOR LINDA LINGLE'S REPRESENTATIVE-** (8:30 p.m.) Cindy Inouye, Deputy Director of the Hawaii Department of Human Resources Development (DHRD), distributed the Governor's Weekly Update and the Governor's 2007 Initiatives. She gave her contact information- phone number- 587-1110 and e-mail address- cindy.s.inouye@hawaii.gov. There were no outstanding issues.

Comments followed.

1. Starr mentioned that some of the street lights on Kalaniana'ole Highway from Ainakoa Avenue to Hawaii Kai are burnt out. She requested that the State Department of Transportation (DOT) work with the City Department of Transportation Services (DTS) on the timing of traffic signals for Kalaniana'ole Highway. Also, at the December meeting, the DOT person said that in the afternoons, 65 percent of the traffic is headed west to downtown and only 35 percent of the traffic is going east to Hawaii Kai. As she is sitting in traffic, she feels that 75 percent of the traffic is headed east. Please verify the numbers.

Schneider left at 8:31 p.m.

2. Rautio again mentioned cleaning the culverts near the Wilder Avenue exit on H-1.
3. Spangler again mentioned clearing the culverts on Kalaniana'ole Highway near the golf course subdivision. Last year they had flooding from the 40+ days of rain. From H-1 eastbound, Waieli Street, which goes to her subdivision, is on the right.
4. Andrews appreciated what the Governor is doing for the homeless people. There are over 300 people in the Kakaako shelter. One-third of them are children

Chair Chuck thanked Governor's representative Inouye.

**BOARD OF WATER SUPPLY-** Scot Muraoka could not attend tonight, but he e-mailed the following report:

**NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD INFORMATION SHEET (FEBRUARY)  
NB NO. 2 – KULI'OU'OU-KALANI IKI**

**MAIN BREAK REPORT:** There was one mainbreak for January. It occurred on January 13 at 390 Anolani Street. The pipe is a four-inch cast iron main that is 41 years old. As the useful lifespan of our current water mains ends, BWS is spending millions of dollars to replace them to insure reliable water service and help prevent main breaks. This is just one of the many ways we continue to be the stewards of Oahu's precious water.

**GENERAL WATER ANNOUNCEMENTS:** BWS is pleased to announce Dean Nakano as the Board of Water Supply's Deputy Manager and Chief Engineer.

Mr. Nakano has served as Acting Deputy Director of the Commission on Water Resource Management (CWRM) with the State Department of Land and Natural Resources for nearly

two years. He oversees the operation and functions of the CWRM staff who have statewide responsibilities for the protection and management of our State's water resources.

Mr. Nakano has been with the Commission since its onset and was the Hydrologic Planning Program Manager for CWRM for nearly ten years prior to his appointment as Acting Deputy. Dean brings a wide range of knowledge in water resource issues and long-range planning. He also has a proven track record of leadership and team building.

**Water Savings Tips:** Repair dripping faucets by replacing washers. If your faucet is dripping at the rate of one drop per second, you can expect to waste 2,700 gallons per year!

Operate automatic dishwashers and clothes washers only when they are fully loaded or properly set the water level for the size of load you are using.

(8:45 p.m.) Representative Berg arrived at the meeting.

### **PRESENTATIONS:**

**Status of request to Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP) to revoke the Special Management Area Permit issued to the Kuilima Resort Co. in 1986** - Johnson introduced Carol Philips, a member of the North Shore Neighborhood Board No. 27, but representing a private group and various Neighborhood Boards. She gave some background information. Although there were permits issued 20 years ago, the North Shore has changed and there is more stress on the infrastructure. There is a pending court case on the issue of denying a supplemental Environmental Impact Statement. She urged support for SB 851, relating to shoreline setback and historic and cultural sites in the district of Koolauloa.

The Board adopted the following resolution:

**Johnson moved and Boltz seconded that "WHEREAS, despite overwhelming opposition from North Shore residents because of concerns about the impact Kuilima Resort Company's massive expansion project would have on the environment, traffic, infrastructure and their quality of life, the City's Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP) ignored the voices of the people and allowed Kuilima to build five new hotels with 3,500 more condo, timeshare and resort hotel units on Kawela Bay based on a 20-year old agreement and land use permit. The DPP must recognize that we live on an island with finite land where proper land use planning and growth management is essential, and therefore should not "rubber stamp" development, especially those based on permits issued decades ago, to the detriment of our communities. The DPP must enforce strict compliance with all applicable laws and revoke the 1986 Special Management Area Permit issued to Kuilima due to the passage of time and changed conditions of the North Shore and the island of O'ahu. THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Kuli'ou'ou-Kalani Iki Neighborhood Board No. 2 supports mandating the Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP) strictly enforce compliance with all applicable laws and revoke the 1986 Special Management Area Permit issued to Kuilima Resort Co. due to the passage of time and changed conditions of the North Shore and the island of O'ahu." The motion carried unanimously, 13-0-0.**

Chair Chuck thanked Philips.

**LEGISLATIVE REPORT** - Chair Chuck gave some background information. At the December Board meeting, its Resolution 19, concerning public financing of political campaigns and Resolution No. 20, concerning Office of Information Practices (OIP) changes in the "Sunshine Law" were not on the agenda, so they were deferred to this meeting. Concerning Resolution 19, Legislative Subcommittee Chair Jeannine Johnson mentioned that she learned a lot by looking at the campaign contributors of Representative Lyla Berg and Councilmember Charles Djou. While Representative Berg does not get too much money from "special interests," Councilmember Djou received over \$200,000 from developers and the construction, real estate and resort industries and other "special interests." She feels that public funding is worth the cost to each person the price of a bento. It works in Maine, Arizona and other states.

Spangler supported the idea of public financing of political campaigns, but was concerned about the "candidates," who only need to get 500 signatures and \$10 each to run for elected office.

Andrews agreed with Johnson that it has worked in other states, but it separates the Legislature into people who take public or private funding.

Vice Chair Schell was sorry that Senator Slom left the meeting. While Schell appreciated the work put into this resolution, he mentioned that last election cycle, Senator Slom spoke eloquently that this measure would limit the amount of money a challenger could raise and insure that the incumbents would remain in office by just name recognition. If Schell remembers correctly, the Board did not support the resolution.

Starr suggested looking at the reporting aspect rather than at public funding.

Spangler mentioned that in Governor Linda Lingle's first run for Governor, she agreed to campaign spending limits and ran out of money, while Governor Cayetano could raise more funds. Lingle vowed to not do that again. In previous Mayor's races, instead of hearing the front runners speak about the issues, she heard the "nobodies, without a good chance of winning" get "their five minutes of fame."

Ashworth mentioned that it boils down to who pays for public funding? We do, the tax payers.

Johnson responded that in the last election, Senator Slom and Councilmember Djou ran unopposed. If public funding were in place, maybe someone would have run against someone who raised \$300,000.

Rautio mentioned that in a dream world, there could be public funding, but we know that national and local campaigns cost a lot of money.

Vice Chair Schell asked why would someone spend \$5 million dollars for a \$100,000 a year job?

Chair Chuck asked Leong, a former state representative, if she would have used public funding. She did not know as she was able to raise enough funds.

Representative Berg added that one idea was that candidates would have to go door-to-door to solicit funds and then they would get matching funds. There are many different combinations.

**Johnson moved and Andrews seconded that the Kuli'ou'ou-Kalani Iki Neighborhood Board No. 2 supports Resolution 19, concerning the public financing of political campaigns.** There was no further discussion. **The motion did not carry, 2-11-0.** Ayes - Johnson and Andrews.

Spangler thanked Johnson for bringing the issue up. Johnson said that someone else wanted it brought up. Chair Chuck mentioned that the Board members were able to express their views.

**Resolution 20** - Chair Chuck mentioned that there have been many bills introduced to the Legislature concerning the Neighborhood Boards and the "Sunshine Law." Johnson added that there have been numerous bills introduced since the December meeting. The Neighborhood Boards are mandated by law to abide by the "Sunshine Law" and there is a bill to exempt the Neighborhood Boards. Chair Chuck mentioned that the interpretation of the "Sunshine Law" by the Office of Information Practices (OIP) may in contention.

**Johnson moved and Andrews seconded that the Kuli'ou'ou-Kalani Iki Neighborhood Board No. 2 supports any bill offered by the Office of Information Practices (OIP) to exempt the Neighborhood Boards from the "Sunshine Law" or that increases the Board members' ability to attend community meetings and to gather information. The motion carried, unanimously, 13-0-0.**

**RESIDENTS' CONCERNS:** (9:11 p.m.)

**Report on status of proposed Waldorf High School in Niu Valley** - Johnson reported that the school got the Conditional Use Permit (CUP) and they have to comply with all of the 55 pages of conditions mentioned by the neighbors and Neighborhood Board, like trash pick-up, sound proofing, etc. Spangler was concerned about how they would be monitored and conditions enforced. .

**Closing of the Wailupe Beach Park from 10:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.** (Re-vote on the motion passed at the December meeting, but it was not on the agenda.) (9:18 p.m.)

**Schell moved and Boltz seconded that the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) close the entrance to the parking lot of the Wailupe Beach Park at 10:00 p.m. and re-open the entrance to the parking lot at 5:00 a.m. the next morning.** Discussion followed. It appears that the "breadfruit pounding" operation may have stopped as it may be out of season. **The motion carried, 12-1-0.** Nay - Young.

**Honolulu Marathon** - Spangler requested that Chair Chuck get a Honolulu Marathon representative to explain what happened last year. Chair Chuck mentioned a John Baron.

**APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER 5, 2006 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES AMENDMENTS AND THE DECEMBER 7, 2006 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES-** (9:25 p.m.) The corrections to the October 5, 2006 regular meeting minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

The November meeting was cancelled due to heavy rains.

**The December 7, 2006 regular meeting minutes were approved by unanimous consent.**

**TREASURER'S REPORT-** (9:26 p.m.) Al Andrews reported a \$3,396.98 balance in the Operating/Publicity budget. There is \$120.00 remaining in the Refreshment budget. The treasurer's report was accepted as read.

**Representative Lyla Berg** - (9:27 p.m.) Representative Berg distributed her newsletter, a list of bills she introduced and highlighted the following:

1. Following up on the Board's December meeting's legislative package, she has asked funding for 11 new Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) enforcement officers.
2. HB 1883 has been introduced by Representative Colleen Meyers to provide a tuition tax credit up to \$5,000 for tuition paid to any private school.
3. She was a co-sponsor of HB 778, which makes copper wiring theft a criminal offense. She e-mailed it to Vice Chair Schell.
4. As a member of the Hawaii 2050 Sustainability Task Force, she is concerned about the ahupua'a system perspective and introduced HB 1523, which establishes the Community-based Sustainability Grants Special Fund and the Hawaii Community-based Sustainability Advisory Board.
5. She co-introduced HB 62 with Representative Marumoto which repeals Act 247, Session Laws of Hawaii 2005, which authorizes the counties to levy a surcharge on the state General Excise Tax (GET), used to fund Honolulu's mass transit system.
6. She has asked her staff to look out for opportunities to implement Charter Amendment No. 8 about making Honolulu pedestrian- and bicycle-friendly.
7. HB 851 relates to shoreline setbacks and protection and preservation of Hawaii's historical and cultural heritage.
8. The third annual Human Rights Day is on March 14, 2007 at the State Capitol.
9. She has set up forums at Kahala Elementary school from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.- On February 28 "Economic Forecast" for Hawaii, March 21 "Asset Building as Economic Development" and April 11 "Toward a Sustainable Economy."

10. She is on the Agriculture Committee (AGR); Economic Development and Business Concerns Committee (EDB); Education (EDN); Higher Education (HED); and Tourism and Culture (TAC). In Orange County, CA they recycle methane gas and pump it into ground water table.
11. One of her Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) was to put navigational lights on Koko Marina in Hawaii Kai.

Comments followed.

1. Johnson mentioned that Mike Smith of Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) could not use the \$100,000 for the playground equipment for Niu Valley children that Representative Berg was able to get appropriated Johnson asked her to please follow up.
2. Starr was concerned about affordable housing
3. Andrews was concerned about the Department of Education (DOE).
4. Vice Chair Schell asked about the her "graffiti bill." Representative Berg responded that it went to the Judiciary Committee.

Chair Chuck thanked Representative Berg.

**REPORTS FROM COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS - None.**

**ADJOURNMENT - Vice Chair Schell moved and Andrews seconded that the meeting be adjourned.** Hearing no objections, Chair Chuck adjourned the meeting at 9:50 p.m.

Submitted by Neighborhood Assistant K. Russell Ho.